

Stonewall Jackson Memorial Fund
Repayable Scholarship Program
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To: Alabama High School Guidance Counselors

The Stonewall Jackson Memorial Fund was established in 1955 by an act of the Alabama Legislature to "...memorialize that great American and Confederate general, 'Stonewall' Jackson, through a program of education..." consisting of essay contests and repayable scholarships. The act designated the director of the Alabama Department of Archives and History, the Alabama State Superintendent of Education, and the President of the Stonewall Jackson Memorial, Inc. as trustees of the fund. The fund is used to award several **repayable** scholarships of \$2,000 each year. The scholarship functions as a repayable no-interest loan which must be repaid after graduation from college. One year after graduation recipients will be contacted to repay the scholarship amount under a scheduled repayment system set up by the individual.

In order to qualify applicants must submit the following: an essay of at least 1500 words in length relating to some aspect of the life of Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson (bibliography is required but is not to be included in determining the length of the essay); an application form (enclosed) providing pertinent personal information; and a 100-word statement on the importance of the repayable scholarship to the applicant.

Scholarship recipients will be selected on the quality and originality of essays, completeness of applications, and need expressed in statements of interest.

Plagiarized or copied essays will be disqualified. Repayable scholarship recipients will be announced in June 2009 and monetary awards of \$2000 will be made to the recipients' colleges upon verification of registration.

An application form is enclosed. Please copy and distribute this information to any students who might be interested in this program. The deadline for receiving applications is **May 1, 2009**. For further information, please contact: Stonewall Jackson Memorial Fund Scholarship, PO Box 300100, Montgomery AL 36130, or call 334-242-4363.